SENATE BILL 1781 By Harper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49 and Title 71, relative to transportation of children.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-502(d)(7)(C)(iii), is amended by deleting the first sentence of the subdivision in its entirety, and by substituting instead the following language:

() The department shall also promulgate rules providing that, on and after January 1, 2006, all vehicles used by or on behalf of a child care center to provide transportation of children, that are designed to transport six (6) or more passengers, shall be equipped with an ignition-based security alarm system that shall prompt staff to inspect the vehicle for children before an alarm sounds.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.